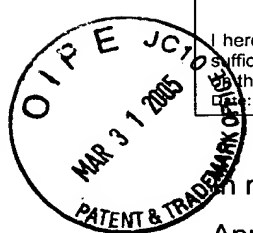


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Appln. of: Tomoya Komata

Appln. No.: 09/881,486

Filed: June 14, 2001

For: METHOD FOR DRIVING PAPER-FEEDING MOTOR IN THERMAL PRINTER

Attorney Docket No: 9281/4121

Examiner: Kristal Feggins  
Art Unit: 2861

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Cover Letter (1p. Filed in Dup.); Amendment (4pp.)
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_\_).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

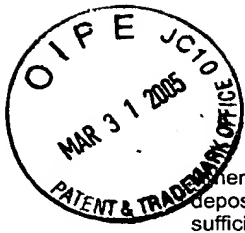
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

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### AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.